MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether the Travancore Tozhilali Navika Sanghom have objected to it?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: They have not objected but they wanted to select themselves their candidates, and deposit security and things of that kind.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know, Sir, in what stage that protest is at present?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: Sir, if the honourable member means by protest, the points raised by the Navika Thozhilali Sanghom, a reply has been given.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know what the nature of the reply is?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: The nature of the reply is that in view of certain rules, the security could not be deposited by the Sanghom, but only by the agent because it has to be available for damages that may have to be realised from him for any carelessness or negligence on his part.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether Government have consented to appoint their own agents?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: Yes, Sir.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: What is the difficulty in allowing them to have the deposit money in their own names?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: The Chief Controlling Officer is to select the men. If he approves of that, it will be done.

Kozhencherry Bridge.

110. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have created a separate Sub-Division in connection with the construction of the Kozhencherry Bridge;

(*b*) whether they have appointed a special Sub-Division Officer in connection with the construction of the Kozhencherry Bridge; and

(*c*) whether they have considered the desirability of putting this Officer in charge of the construction of the Kollakadavu, Kovilthodu and Nalkalikal bridges also?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The question of putting this Officer in charge of the Nalkalikal and Kovilthodu bridges, is under consideration.

Employees in the State Transport Department.

111. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the posts of Clerks, Inspectors, conductors and drivers in the Transport Department are pensionable at present; and

(*b*) if not, whether Government have considered the question of making them so?

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MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR : (*a*) At present only the posts of Clerks and Inspectors are pensionable.

(*b*) The question of making the posts of conductors and drivers pensionable is receiving the attention of Government.

Bridge across the Vaikkathillathil thodu.

112. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Chief Engineer has stated on the floor of the Sri Mulam Assembly during the last budget session that the construction of the bridge across the Vaikkathillathil thodu on the Podiyadi-Nirattupuram Road in Tiruvalla taluk would be complete in 1116 itself :

(*b*) whether the construction of this bridge is complete ; and

(*c*) if the answer is in the negative, the reason for the delay ?

MR. I. C. CHACKO : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Owing to inevitable delay in getting down R. S. joists.

Transport Advisory Committee.

113. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Transport Advisory Committee have made recommendations regarding the following matters :

(i) provident and super-annuation funds for the staff ;

(ii) bonus for the operating staff if the collections exceed a certain amount ; and

(*b*) what action was taken by them in the matter ?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR : (*a*) (i) and (ii) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Relief works at Shertalla.

114. *MR. P. S. MUHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to state whether Rajyasevapravina M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar visited Shertalla in 1116 while he was the Chief Secretary for visiting relief works ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : Yes.

Acts and Proclamations.

115. *MR. K. G. GOVINDAN (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the names of Acts passed and the Proclamations made during the period extending from 1st Chingom 1114 to 30th Makaram 1117 and also the respective dates of their promulgation ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI : The information relating to the enactments passed up to the end of 1115 is available in Vols. X and XI of the Acts and Proclamations of Travancore, copies of which have been placed in the Legislative Library. In respect of enactments subsequent to those contained in Vol. XI up to 30th Makarom 1117, a list * is placed on the table.

* *Vide* Appendix II pages 262-263.

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